

REMARKS

Claims 10-15 are currently pending. Claims 1-9 have been cancelled. Claim 15 is a newly presented claim which does not introduce any new matter. Claims 10, 12-14 have been amended so as to depend directly from Claim 15.

Applicants contend that new Claim 15 is patentable over the previously cited prior art references, in particular Frucht and Guggenbuehl, since the claim recites a position means for expanding the measuring light in a fan-shaped manner in a rotating unit comprising a rotating mirror for a distance measuring instrument. Since all remaining claims depend on Claim 15, Applicants do not believe any further comments are necessary in connection with the dependent claims. Hence, all grounds for rejection of any of the pending claims is traversed.

Reconsideration of the pending claims is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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